



## **State Water Resources Control Board**

Division of Drinking Water

June 28, 2017

Mr. Blair Allen Water Resources Control Engineer SF Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1400 Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Transmittal for Review and Comment – Local Agency Management Plan for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems in Alameda County.

Dear Mr. Allen:

The State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water (DDW) has reviewed the County of Alameda's Local Agency Management Program (LAMP) for Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS) revised draft document, dated March 9, 2017, prepared by the County's Department of Environmental Health.

The revised draft document presents the proposed LAMP pertaining to the oversight of onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) within the County of Alameda. This document, along with its partner documents the Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Manual and the Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Ordinance (hereinafter referred to collectively as the LAMP) are the major components of Alameda County's LAMP, prepared in accordance with the requirements of the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems, dated June 19, 2012, also referred to as the "State OWTS Policy".

The proposed LAMP is intended to apply to all OWTS within Alameda County having wastewater design flows up to 10,000 gallons per day (gpd). Any OWTS with a design flow exceeding 10,000 gpd and/or where the wastewater includes industrial process wastewater, or a community system serving multiple discharges under separate ownership would be regulated jointly by Alameda County and the respective California Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB), San Francisco Bay or Central Valley Region.

The State OWTS Policy requires the RWQCB to forward a copy of the LAMP to, and solicit comments from DDW, particularly regarding the LAMP's proposed policies and procedures, including notification to local water purveyors prior to OWTS permitting.

DDW hereby determines that the Alameda County LAMP meets the minimum drinking water source protection measures established by the State OWTS Policy and adequately proposes best management practices for the protection of public water system supplies in Alameda County. DDW has no additional comments or recommendations to SF Bay RWQCB regarding the proposed LAMP.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (510) 620-3454 or at Marco.Pacheco@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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